

COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. 0348



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN FISCAL YEARS 2011-2016

Submitted by the Mayor of the District of Columbia

July 1, 2010

Commission Action Requested

Approval of comments to the Mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8723 (b).

Commission Action

The Commission:

Commends the District of Columbia on the inclusion of projects that support and implement the federal interest set forth in the *Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital*, such as:

- Projects to improve the public transportation system through continued mass transit investments.
- Projects to develop new parks and recreation centers and to enhance existing parks and open spaces throughout the city.
- Projects that rehabilitate and/or reuse historic buildings to preserve and promote the historic identity of the nation's capital through its historic structures.
- Funding of long-term planning efforts linked to important capital projects of federal interest.

Requests that the District of Columbia further coordinate projects as appropriate with the Commission and with federal agencies whose property or operations may be affected, pursuant to Section 5 of the National Capital Planning Act (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and/or § 8722 (e)), along with regional agencies, as follows:

- Many projects and studies will require coordination with the Federal Highway Administration, the National Park Service, the General Services Administration, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, as well as review by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts. The submitting District agencies should coordinate with these identified entities to determine submission requirements and schedules.

- The following general areas and topics are of special interest to the Commission, and should be coordinated with NCPC on an ongoing basis:
 - Streetcar Development
 - Public Plans and Studies
 - Park and Open Space improvements
 - Metro (Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority)
- The following specific transportation projects should be coordinated with the Commission and other federal agencies, as noted:

Agencies, with abbreviations and relevant facilities:

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - National Arboretum
 Department of the Air Force (DAF) - Bolling Air Force Base
 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) - Florida/NY Avenue headquarters
 Architect of the Capitol (AOC) - Capitol Grounds, including power plant
 Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) – agency facility at North Capitol Street
 Department of the Army (DOA) - Corps of Engineers (rivers and reservoirs);
 Fort McNair
 Department of Energy (DOE) - L'Enfant Plaza headquarters
 General Services Administration (GSA) - various facilities
 National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC)
 National Park Service (NPS) - various parks throughout DC
 Department of the Navy (DON) - Washington Navy Yard, Anacostia Annex,
 Potomac Annex
 U.S. Postal Service (USPS) - headquarters (L'Enfant Plaza)
 Department of Transportation (DOT) – railroad facilities

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12,13,21,27,34	South Capitol Street improvements	AOC, NCPC, NPS
30,33	14 th Street Bridge rehabilitation	NCPC, DOA, NPS
33,80(2)	11 th Street Bridge replacement	NCPC, DOA, NPS
33	Rehabilitation of L'Enfant Promenade	DOE, NCPC, NPS, USPS
13,14,31	Riverwalk projects	USDA, DOA, GSA, NCPC, NPS, DON
5,63,72,76,104(2)	Bicycle improvements	NCPC
56	Reconstruction of Columbus Circle	NCPC
90	Reconstruction of Washington Circle	NCPC
32,57,95,102	Central City street improvements	NPS, NCPC
58	Historic streets and alleys	NCPC
94	Federal road rehabilitation	NCPC, NPS
69,70,71,76,78	Great streets initiatives	NCPC, NPS
75	Garfield Park	NCPC, NPS
7	Metropolitan Branch Trail	NCPC, DOT
60	Downtown Circulator	NCPC, NPS
69	Boundary Stones	NCPC, NPS
79	Union Station Intermodal Center	GSA, NCPC
95	Pennsylvania & Potomac Ave Intersection	NCPC, NPS
97	Klinge Rd EA	NCPC, NPS
103	South Capitol Street EIS	AOC, NCPC, NPS
98	East Capitol Street Corridor Plan	NCPC, NPS

10 Freight Rail Plan

DOT, NCPC, NPS

- The following specific projects should be coordinated with other federal agencies, as noted:

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9	Marvin Gaye Park	NPS, NCPC
27	Risk Assessment-Bridge / Tunnel Security	DOT, NCPC, GSA
22(2)24,29,41	Potomac River bridge rehabilitations	NCPC, DOA, NPS
4,30,89	Rock Creek Park trail & street improvements	NPS, NCPC
4	Dalecarlia Parkway streetlight improvements	NPS, NCPC
37,55	New York and Florida Ave. intersection	ATF, NPS, NCPC
39,40,58,101	Military Road / 16th Street NW projects	NPS
57,92	18th Street. NW reconstruction	NPS
91,93	South Dakota Avenue reconstruction	NCPC
59(2)	Benning Road NE reconstruction	NPS
95,96,100(2),101	Central City street reconstruction	NPS, NCPC
22,24,41	Bridge reconstructions	NPS, NCPC
67	Central City streetscape improvements	NPS
67,68,74,78	Neighborhood transportation studies	NPS, NCPC
73(2),74	Public art installations	NPS, NCPC
36	C&O Canal Bridge reconstruction	NPS
7,72,76	Heritage Trails	NPS
12,32,39,93,94	Kenilworth Avenue improvements	NPS, NCPC
34,38,40	SW-SE Freeway reconstruction	NPS, NCPC
18,38,68,98	Eastern, Western, Southern Ave. improvements	NPS, NCPC
31	Anacostia Freeway	NPS, NCPC

Notes the statutory requirement mandating the District's submission for Commission review of a number of CIP projects, such as:

- Acquisition or disposition of land or buildings by the District of Columbia government (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and § 8734 (a)).
- Development projects undertaken by the District of Columbia government, including park projects and alterations that affect the exterior of a structure or its grounds (40 U.S.C. §8722 (b) (1) and § 8722(e)).

Reminds the District that by statute it is required to submit its entire capital improvement program to NCPC for review and comment by February of each year, and that in future years NCPC's comments will be more helpful if they can be based on a comprehensive review completed and considered before the District submits the CIP to the Council of the District of Columbia. Additionally the District still must submit for NCPC review its capital projects for the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (WASA).

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